

LOOKS LIKE REVOLUTION.

The Disturbance in Cuba Has Grown in Magnitude and Gravity—Rebels Capture Cities.

Havana, August 23.—The army of Pinar Guerra, flushed with the victory of yesterday over the loyal guards and the capture of San Luis, is now before Pinar del Rio and an attack on that city is momentarily expected. As the insurgent army outnumbers the government forces the fall of Pinar del Rio is likely. The situation is apparently growing worse all the time. New revolutionary armies are springing up constantly and are apparently strong in the four western provinces.

LYON'S BASELESS CHARGE.

Representative Florence Citizens Reply in Defense of Mr. Davis.

Florence, S. C., August 20.—Mr. J. Fraser Lyon, candidate for attorney general, at Wallhalla on the 16th inst. stated on the "stump" that Mr. F. M. Davis, the ex-dispenser of this city had been proved to have run a blind tiger in the dispensary at Florence.

The only testimony taken during the investigation affecting Mr. Davis was at the hearing in Sumter 7th of September 1905. This testimony was given by Mr. Davis himself. On the subject of this grave charge this testimony was to the effect that some whiskey house had shipped cases of liquor with more bottles than the invoice called for. Mr. Davis made no personal claim to the extra bottles but put them on the shelves, sold them in due course, paid the state its full share and placed the county and city's shares in bank to his credit as dispenser.

When Mr. Davis went out of office and the dispenser checked up his accounts he found that Mr. Davis had paid the State about \$160 more than its share of goods charged against him, and a \$202 over deposit for county and city share. This \$102 was by direction of the inspector paid over to Mr. Davis, and the State board of control sent him a check for the \$160.

The most unreasonable partisanship could not contort or distort this into the running of a blind tiger, but such a feat was reserved for the enterprise of a candidate who in his desire for office, does not balk at slandering a good private citizen.

We have known Mr. Davis for many years. He is a law abiding citizen of veracity and high personal character; and has the confidence of this city. The charge is utterly unfounded and indefensible. Mr. Lyon spoke in Florence when Mr. Davis was present and the audience knew Mr. Davis' life and character, and such a charge would have been received with derision. Mr. Lyon reserved it for a strange audience that knew not the man.

J. W. McCown, Clerk of Court, Florence county.

J. R. McCown, ex-County Superintendent of Education, Florence county.

S. B. Cooper, Coroner, Florence county.

R. S. Smith, Magistrate, Florence, S. C.

E. C. Harrel, Deputy Sheriff, Florence county.

R. McLenden, member County Board of Control, Florence county.

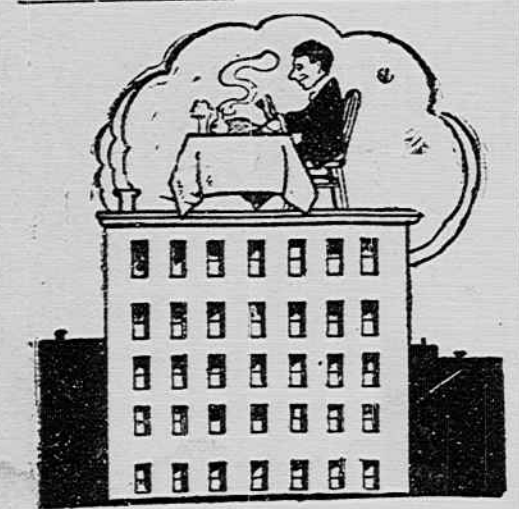
W. J. Brown, Cashier Bank of Florence, and Mayor of Florence, S. C.

W. H. Darby, Druggist, chairman Board of Control when Mr. Davis was dispenser.

F. H. Lucas, City Clerk and Treasurer, Florence, S. C.

E. H. Lucas, Jr., Cashier Farmers & Mechanics Bank, Florence, S. C.

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LABOR DAY CELEBRATION.

FLORENCE ARRANGES AN ATTRACTIVE PROGRAMME.

Horse and Cattle Show, Fireman's Tournament, Automobile Parade and Races—Base Ball—Florentines Will Keep Open House and Everybody Will Be Welcomed.

The progressive city of Florence has, for many years, celebrated Labor Day with appropriate ceremonies, and each year there has been a large attendance. This year the programme arranged is more elaborate than ever before and as the people of Florence are backing the entertainment, it promises to be a great success. The programme is as follows:

Labor Day Celebration, Monday Sept. 3rd.

CATTLE DISPLAY.

9 to 10 a. m.

Best dairy herd, not less than one bull and three cows, \$15.00

Best dairy Jersey bull, registered, \$5.00.

Best dairy Guernsey bull, registered, \$5.00.

Best dairy cow, registered, \$5.00.

Best dairy cow grade, \$5.00.

Best dairy cow, largest milk producer, \$5.00.

Best heifer under two years, registered, \$3.00.

Best heifer under two years, grade, \$2.00.

An entrance fee of 50 cents per head for each contestant. Entries to close at 9 a. m. September 3rd.

Judge—Prof. John Michels, B. S. A., of Clemson College.

FIREMAN'S FREE RACE.

10 to 11 a. m.

First prize, \$50.00; Second Prize, \$25.00.

Fastest 100 yards foot race by any fireman, contesting in the above reel races, \$10.00.

Rules—To be used by the N. C. State Firemen's Association.

HORSE DISPLAY.

11 a. m. to 2 p. m.

First, gentlemen's driving contest (double team) \$20.00.

Second, gentlemen's driving contest (double team) \$10.00.

Second, ladies' driving contest (single team) \$20.00.

Second ladies' driving contest (single team) \$10.00.

Third, saddle contest (gentlemen's) \$15.00.

Second, saddle contest (gentlemen's) \$5.00.

Fourth, Gentlemen's driving contest (single) \$20.00.

Second, Gentlemen's driving contest, \$10.00.

Fifth, Saddle contest (ladies) \$15.00.

Second saddle contest (ladies) \$5.00

Sixth, Saddle contest (girls and boys) each \$5.00.

Girls not over 15 years old and not over 12.

Seventh, Stallion contest to harness (State) \$10.00.

Second, Stallion contest to harness (State) \$5.00.

Eighth, Stallion contest to harness (open) \$10.00.

Second, Stallion contest to harness (open) \$5.00.

Ninth, Best colt to halter not over 3 years (open) \$10.00.

Second, Best colt to halter not over 3 years \$5.00.

Best pair of mules to harness, \$10.00.

Best single mule to harness, \$5.00.

Judges—W. M. Graham, Sumter, S. C.; C. W. Hewitt, Darlington, S. C.; Ed. T. Elliott, Dillon, S. C.; Jas. Stackhouse, Marion, S. C.; Dr. Benj. McInnis, V. S., Charleston, S. C.

AUTOMOBILE RACES.

2 p. m. to 4 p. m.

Four classes \$50.00 to winner of each event. Entrance fee \$5.00. Not less than four entries to each class.

Class 1. Runabouts costing not over \$750, one passenger.

Class 2. Light touring cars, costing not over \$1,000, four passengers.

Class 3. Cars costing not over \$2,000, four passengers.

Class 4. Free for all.

Music will be dispensed by the Second Regiment Band in full uniform. This band will also furnish music for the Grand Dance 9.30 p. m. Refreshments. Tickets for same may be procured from the Committee. Price \$2.00.

Base Ball by State League teams, 3 days; Carnival 6 days, Commencing Monday, September 3.

In this state it is not necessary to serve a five day's notice for eviction of a cold. Use the original laxative cough syrup, Kennedy's Laxative Honey and Tar. No opiates. Sold by all druggists.

The strike of the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen in Columbia has been settled.

Why does the sun burn? Why does a mosquito sting? Why do we feel unhappy in the Good Old Summer Time? Answer: we don't. We use DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, and these little ills don't bother us. Learn to look for the name on the box to get the genuine. Sold by all druggists.

A COWARD'S DEED.

Jones Slapped Brunson, a One-Armed Man—Many in the Crowd Wanted to Take Brunson's Place and Whip Jones.

Greenville, S. C., Aug. 21.—"Was A. C. Jones arrested?" There was room for doubt when that thrilling question arose after the Chester meeting, but nobody is asking that question here today as 700 persons saw him escorted by policemen from the campaign meeting under the orders of Sheriff Gilreath, to lock him up for assaulting Mr. Joel E. Brunson. The affair is the talk of the town and the condemnation of Mr. Jones is rife. Both men are candidates for governor, Mr. Jones from Newberry and Mr. Brunson from Sumter. Jones has always spoken of pitching his canvass on a high plane and declared that he represented the Christian people of the State. Mr. Brunson has often been looked upon as a minister by persons in the crowd. One of his hands was cut off at his saw mill eleven years ago and both from his peaceful demeanor and his physical condition one would suppose him immune from attack. Each man made his speech today. When Jones finished speaking, he left the stand. Ragsdale arose to speak, but suddenly a cry arose, "stop that fight over there."

Everybody crowded in on the storm centre. Jones had sought Brunson and the testimony of eye witnesses is that he told Brunson if he did not stop talking about him he would make him do it and that as soon as the calm reply came, "Well, you will have to make me then," Jones slapped him soundly on the left cheek.

Mr. Brunson told me that he did not take time to make any reply before Jones struck him. He was almost stunned by the sharpness and suddenness of the blow and did not attempt to return it.

In an instant Jones was seized by bystanders and from the expressions heard it seemed as if they would do him injury. There were such remarks as "That's a damn shame," "I'll take Brunson's place. Let me hit him," etc.

It is but the simple truth to say that apparently not a man sympathized with Jones and his protestations had no effect upon the crowd. Sheriff Gilreath reached Jones just in time to ward off a powerful blow aimed at him by some one in the crowd. Jones was carried by policemen to the police station and was released on a cash bond of five dollars furnished by himself.—Columbia Record.

Professor Tyler of Amherst College, said recently: "A man can live comfortably without brains; no man ever existed without a digestive system. The dyspeptic has neither faith, hope or charity." Day by day people realize the need of the use of a little corrective after overeating. A corrective like Kodol For Dyspepsia. It digests what you eat. Sold by all druggists.

The Winnipeg Commercial says that the wheat crop in the Canadian Northwest this year will be about 97,000,000 bushels, which is estimated will sell at 65 cents a bushel. The population is about 800,000, and the amount to be received from the wheat alone will be \$63,000,000.

"Make Hay While the Sun Shines."

*There is a lesson in the work of the thrifty farmer. He knows that the bright sunshine may last but a day and he prepares for the showers which are so liable to follow. So it should be with every household. Dysentery, diarrhoea and cholera morbus may attack some member of the home without warning. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, which is the best known medicine for these diseases, should always be kept at hand, as immediate treatment is necessary, and delay may prove fatal. For sale by all druggists.

Professor J. E. Wallace of Claflin University and Rev. P. G. Drayton of Biddle University, Charlotte, N. C., have been recommended for appointment to succeed Thos. E. Miller, as president of the State Negro College at Orangeburg.

There is nothing so pleasant as that bright, cheerful, at-peace-with-the-world feeling when you sit down to your breakfast. There is nothing so conducive to good work and good results. The healthy man with a healthy mind and body is a better fellow, a better workman, a better citizen than the man or woman who is handicapped by some disability, however slight. A slight disorder of the stomach will derange your body, your thoughts and your disposition. Get away from the morbidity and the blues. Keep your stomach in tune and both your brain and body will respond. Little indiscretions of overeating can be easily corrected and you will be surprised to see how much better man you are. Try a little Kodol For Dyspepsia after your meals. Sold by all druggists.

As to Lynching.

The Richmond Times-Dispatch recently said this with reference to the recent occurrences in this State and South Carolina:

"Lynching is lynching, no matter the circumstances, and lynching is unlawfully depriving a man of his life, whether or no he is technically 'in the custody of the law.' It has become alarmingly frequent in the South, not for one crime alone, but for all capital crimes, and occasionally for those which are not. Nor can we reasonably expect it to cease so long as reputable newspapers defend and justify it."

The above calls forth a remarkable editorial from the Richmond News-Leader, and as it is both interesting and states the actual situation as it confronts the people of the South, the Star reproduces it. The News-Leader says:

"Nobody has a more profound reverence for law, a stronger concern for good order or a higher regard for the sanctity of human life than The News-Leader. Yet we believe firmly that in certain conditions the taking of human life outside the operations of the law is not only justifiable, but necessary for the well-being and safety of society.

"When a criminal or accused person of any grade is in the hands of the State, which is the people and the law, the honor of the State is pledged for his safe custody and fair trial, and an attack on him is an attack on the sovereignty of the Commonwealth. So he is protected. In certain and special and specified and easily understood conditions we believe the people of a community have the right to consider their own necessities before delivering a man known to have done one certain crime to the custody of the law. It is just as well to do a little plain talking on this subject.

"Before the war this crime was unheard of in the South. The white men went into the army, leaving their women in charge of the negro slaves without the faintest fear of any wrong worse than a little petty thieving, regarded almost as the slave's privilege. The habits of submission to authority and reverence for the white skin were so deeply implanted that they had become nature. Since then conditions have changed. Authority has been overthrown and reverence destroyed, and those negroes who are naturally bad and malicious have been left irresponsible and ungoverned except by fear. The great majority of these people, justice requires us to say, are wonderfully good citizens, considering their circumstances and opportunities. In every community and neighborhood of the South, however, there is a proportion of negro men who are brutes made far more dangerous than brutes by the possession of some human intelligence. In many parts of the South the white population is thin or scattered, and the men cannot stay at their homes. They must be away in the fields or at their business and their women and girl children are left nearly every day unprotected.

"The bad and brutal negro knows nothing of the pangs of shame or disgrace. Made the central figure of a capital trial, he becomes magnified to a hero in his own eyes and his victim must tell in open court the hideous details which the law exacts. To his limited intelligence the chances of escape seem many, and even when condemned to death his emotional nature is worked into a religious ecstasy or frenzy, and he dies triumphant.

"These things are known to all Southern people. The conditions are peculiar and peculiarly horrible, the class to be dealt with and its addition to the crime to be dealt with are peculiar. All the conditions are beyond and outside the contemplation of any written law. Therefore remedies peculiarly swift and drastic and warnings peculiarly terrible are necessary. Negroes of the kind to which we refer can be ruled and deterred in one way only, and that is by terror, by the certainty of quick, unceremonious, sure death if they take or attempt any liberties with white women or children. That is a grim and dreadful fate, but it is a fact, and must be realized because it is present with us and concerns the homes and lives and honor of the majority of the Southern people every day in the year.

"For the one crime—and for that only—we believe lynching, before the law can intervene, to be not only right, but necessary. The work of putting to death the dangerous brute should be done soberly and decently, even solemnly, but relentlessly, as a thing required for the protection of homes and families, but with circumstances reflecting on the reputation of the community for propriety and humanity as lightly as possible.

"In saying this, ugly and dangerous as it may seem, we believe we express the deliberate, earnest feeling and belief of the vast majority of Southern white men who live in the country, including many as good citizens, as sober conscientious and God-fearing as any land on earth knows."

It is hard to create a sentiment against lynching in the face of the facts so strongly put by our esteemed Richmond contemporary.—Wilmington Star.

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